

or some other member  
of my family might  
be appointed to do the  
work.

When the members of  
the family are living and  
willing to do the work they  
are to do this work. If  
Punch are to do the work

I have also explained  
to you some facts about  
the division of my father's  
estate. I therefore humbly  
request that you will  
postpone passing final  
orders till I can be heard.

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encl. 1  
to be etc?

and the 8th to 10th 1907 - 14 June 1

No. 4890

10 July 1906

Returned. It seems undesirable to entrust the disbursement of the charity to a Panch as this is contrary to usage. On the other hand it is reported that Nannwar Khan is not spending the money properly.

2. Undersigned is informed that Shahyad Begum is a suitable person to entrust with the duty.

3. The Asst Political Agent is requested to give his opinion on this point.

W. D. Shepherd  
Pol. Agent

8-7-96.

No. 7247

14 October 1906

Reminder

W. D.

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20th January 1906

Reminder

W. D. Clerk  
for C. D.

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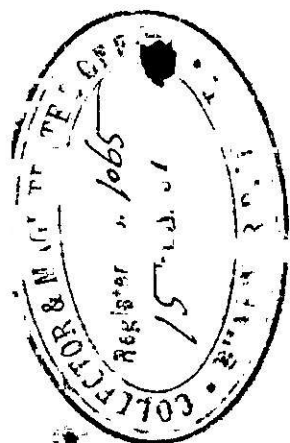
Reminder

Head Clerk

No 112 of 1896

Camp Savanur

Dated 25 August 1896



Chitaloo

From,

The Assistant Political Agent,

To,

The Political Agent,

Sharwar,

Sir,

I have the honor to reply

Subject to your No 4890 dated 10<sup>th</sup> July 1896

Right of per-  
forming the  
Urus & fatcha  
ceremonies of  
the Savanur  
Navaab's family

and to state in the first place -  
that Hamavor Khan is a most -  
decidedly unfit person to be -  
entrusted with the ceremonies or -  
rather the cash attached to them.

The vernacular correspondence  
ending with the Diwan's No  $\frac{235}{24-5-96}$   
contains some information about -  
this youth who has been accused

of



of culpable homicide, rape and various minor offences, but never convicted on account of obvious difficulty of getting evidence <sup>against</sup>, an uncle of a future autocrat of the state.

He is stated by all respectable persons (non official Brahmans as well as Mohamadans) to spend 1 anna in the rupee of the cash allowances on the ceremonies for which they are granted.

With regard to Shahzad Begum there is no personal objection, but it would be precisely the same as allowing Hamavor Khan to continue administrator. She is his aunt, and he would be her agent and factotum, and being purdanishin, she would be

no more than his 'nam Dr. the'.

On the death of <sup>Diler</sup> ~~Salar~~ Khan  
Salar Jung Bahadur the political  
Agent appointed Amirt ~~Bibi~~ <sup>Bibi</sup> to manage  
the allowances. She is also guardian  
of Shahajahan Begum the late  
Nawab Salar Khan's only <sup>surviving</sup> ~~morning~~  
child. She is the best person  
to entrust with these allowances.  
She will execute the ceremonies  
in a proper manner by agents  
who are more to be trusted, and  
who can <sup>and should</sup> be directed to institute  
accounts and duly answer for  
the disbursement of the sums  
entrusted to them.

No one will oppose this -  
but Namavor Khan who is -  
a youth whose age and

Character

must be

me: a fpr. 112

by P.A.

Character do not by any means  
fit him for a religious trustee.

I have the honor to

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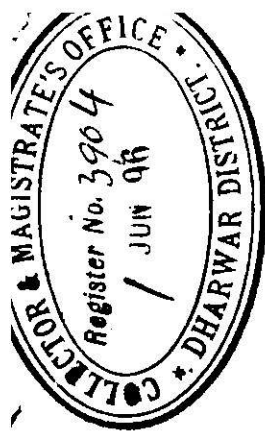
Your most obedient servt.



Assistant political  
Agent

Dharwar  
1<sup>st</sup> June 1896

To,



The Political Agent of  
Savanur State  
Dharwar

Sir,

I the undersigned  
— brother of the late Nawab of Savanur  
beg respectfully in  
honour the following few lines  
hoping that they will meet with  
your honours mature and favourable  
consideration.

21. In accordance with the  
long standing custom prevalent in the  
Savanur Nawab's family, the  
anniversary ceremony called Urus  
and anniversary incantations called  
Batya of the late Nawab and his wife  
and other dead near relatives has been  
performed by me, as the present  
Nawab is a minor and I am the  
nearest relative of his. But a few

days ago, I was told a body of Pura  
was to be appointed to do the above  
said ceremonies. After this I saw  
your honour and your honour told  
me that I should give a written  
protest regarding the matter. I did  
so accordingly. The matter was  
referred to the Divan. But I am not  
aware what opinion he has expressed  
on the subject. But as the Divan  
is now told by your honour to  
submit the names of five members  
to form a Panchayat committee. I  
am driven to the necessity of troubling your  
honour on the subject.

3 The following are some  
of the causes for allowing me to  
perform the aforesaid ceremonies

(a) If religious experts such as  
Moulvis and Pundits be consulted  
on the point they will give their  
decision in my favour

(b) These ceremonies are to be  
performed by the personage occupying  
the throne but if he be a minor

the nearest elderly relative should perform them

(c) During the life time of my uncle Nawab & hair Khan some dispute having arisen, it was decided by Government that some ceremonies should be performed by the Nawab himself and others by his brother i.e. my father. This state of thing continued during his minority of Nawab & hair Khan and after he attained his majority, he alone performed these ceremonies. Had the custom and ~~any~~ Punch would have been appointed but as under no circumstances any Punch could be appointed, no Punch was appointed.

(d) The present Nawab of Savanur being a minor and I being the near relative, your honour will kindly & justly allow me to perform these ceremonies as heretofore without appointing a Punch as contemplated — Under the above said circumstances your honour will, no doubt, think that I am the proper

person to perform the above  
said anniversaries and I beg to  
request that you will graciously be  
pleased to cancel your order for  
the appointment of a Punch and  
allow me to perform these ceremonies  
in accordance with our family custom  
and our religious tenets

Hoping to be excused for the  
trouble.

I beg to remain  
your most respectfully

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Yours  
Brother of the late Nawab  
of Savanur.

Under <sup>\*</sup>letter No. *7*

Dated *1<sup>st</sup> June-1906*

**\*TO BE RETURNED**

From *the late Nawab of*  
*Savanur's brother.*

No *5*, *6* Camp *Dharwar*  
*+ June 1896*

Subject.

*Right of per-  
forming Hindu  
rituals Core-  
sions of the  
Nawab's  
family.*

Forwarded ~~for report~~ to the Divan of Sava-  
nur for report with reference  
to § 3 (c).

*W.D. Sheppard*  
*Ag Collector.*

*Recd*  
*7/6/96*

*Putt*



Legation :

No. 8, of 1895-96.

Sh. Dadasaheb Ch. Sawar 25<sup>th</sup> of June 1896.

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Returned with compliments.

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I beg humbly to report that the

statement made by Abdul Khamukhan

that it has been decided by Government during

the lifetime of the Nawab Abdul Khamukhan

Dilerjanz Bahadur that the ceremonies

Sh. H.  
25/6/96

should be performed by his (petitioner's)

father instead of the Nawab is erroneous.

During the time referred to they used to be

solemnized by the latter. On his death in 1868

his son and successor to the gadi being a

minor of 5 years of age the work was entrusted

to Abdul Kasim Khan Sahel (father of the

petitioner and eldest of the younger brothers

deceased of the Nawab) by the Political Agent on the

recommendation of the <sup>then</sup> British. No orders

have then been passed by Government on

the subject (vide vernacular correspondence

hereto appended.)

During minorities of previous Nawabs

no panch were appointed for the purpose

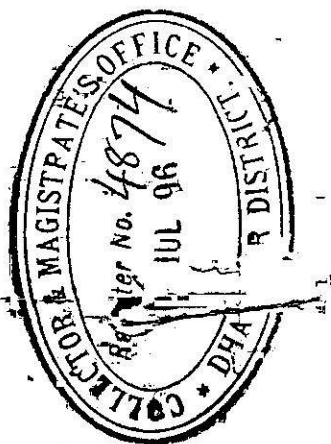
Let a competent member of the family  
used to do the work.

*[Signature]*  
bayan of savanur

Submitted through the Assistant Political

Agent savanur st.

*[Signature]*  
bayan of savanur



No 95 of 1896

4th July 1896

Forwarded with compliments.

The emanula correspondence proves that  
in 1869 the collector & Political agent decided

- (1) That the ceremonies shd be performed
- (2) That when the dawat was a minor some  
elderly member of the family shd perform them  
on his behalf.

~~to~~ I am certainly of opinion that no ground of  
economy or convenience can justify the  
appointment of a Panch to perform what is  
the prerogative of all reigning families.

Nor do I see that any economy or convenience  
will result: as the amount of the allowance seems to  
be fixed. If there were a dispute between members  
of the family, the question wd be complicated: but there seems  
to be none. 3.7.96 *[Signature]*

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Below petition of Abdulla sal  
w<sup>d</sup> Husain sal Hafiz of Savanur

No 122 of 1896

Camp Savanur

Dated August  
1896

The petitioner claims a declaration  
of title to perform certain cere-  
monies. I find it has always been —  
the custom for the state to actively  
interfere in all questions of religious  
trusts and that therefore it is an —  
executive matter in which I can  
properly give an order

I then find by enquiry of the  
officers and well informed inha-  
bitants of Savanur, that till last  
year no question was ever raised as  
to the right of Abdulla w<sup>d</sup> Husain —  
Hafiz to perform the ceremonies of  
exhibiting the hair of <sup>the prophet</sup> ~~the~~ ~~Pir Mubarak~~  
and taking the sugar and other —  
offerings and giving 'odaki' to  
the people. last year an attempt  
to oust him by force was made  
by Kamavor Khan Biradari —

Navab

Kavab. The ceremony is recurring in a few days

I prohibit all interference with Abdulla w<sup>d</sup> Husain Hafiz in the matter. He has a clear prescription<sup>ed</sup> right to perform the ceremonies. any counter claimants must seek redress in a legal manner.

The District Magistrate will see that the executive force of the state allows no interference with the established right of Abdulla Husain Hafiz. if any person should be foolish enough to interfere there with.

Sd/- H. Anderson

Assistant Political  
Agent

No. of 1896

Camp Savanur

Dated August 1896

Copy forwarded to the Diwan of Savanur for information and guidance.

41/10/96  
m. a. c.

Assistant Pol. Agent

१ प्रथमोऽर्थोऽस्मिन्

உலகம் எல்லாம் உன் கைகளில்

den 6. 9. 20 me 10.20.20 am 10.20.20. 20. 10. 20. 20.

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Copy of the order passed by the  
Political Agent Savenur states  
regarding the right of performing  
Uras and Fatcha ceremonies of  
the Savenur Ravebo family.

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"The Fatcha ceremonies  
ought to be carried out by the  
Ravebo. As the Ravebo is a minor  
his guardian Bad Mahomed Khan  
can best carry them out in his  
~~behalf - and that course should~~  
be followed for the future."

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No 89 of 1897

Camp Hanoignoon  
24<sup>th</sup> March 1897

Forwarded to the Bivani  
for information and guidance  
and who is requested to take  
early ~~stop~~ opportunity of consulting  
with Bad Mahomed Khan  
and arrange for the perform  
of

of these ceremonies.

The Assistant Political Agent has the key of the box containing the prophecies heard & shown at Achar Shariff ceremony. On the settlement of this matter the key should be returned through Bad Mahomed Khan to the hereditary holder of the office, who exhibits the relic.

Reed  
28/3/97.  
E. S. A.

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Assistant Political  
Agent

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Below letter No 89 of 1896  
25-6-96

regarding the performance of Falaka ceremony.

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24-9-96

No 95 of 1896  
4-7-96

Forwarded with compliments

the Vernacular correspondence proves that  
in 1869 the collector and Political Agent decides.

- (1) that the ceremonies should be performed
- (2) that when the Neral was minor ~~at~~  
some elderly member of the family should  
perform them on his behalf.

I am certainly of opinion. that no  
ground of economy or convenience can  
justify the appointment of Punch to  
perform what is the prerogative of  
all reigning families. Nor do I see that  
any economy or convenience will result.  
As the amount of the allowance seems to be  
fixed. If there were dispute between  
members of the family. the question  
would be complicated, but there seems to be  
none.

or

Asst Pol Agent

Copy of letter No 4890 dated 10 July,  
1896 of the collector and political  
Agent, Shawar.

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"Returned. It seems undesirable  
to entrust the disbursement of the  
charity to a puich as this is contrary  
to usage -- on the other hand it is --  
reported that Namorkhan is not  
spending the money properly

Undersigned is informed that  
Shahjad Begum is a suitable person  
to entrust with this duty

3 The Assistant Political Agent  
is requested to give his opinion on  
this point."

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No 99 of 1896

Shawar 13 July 1896

Forwarded with enclosures to the  
Governor of Saver for report as  
to <sup>the</sup> fitness of Namorkhan and  
Shahjad Begum respectively. Can  
a woman perform the ceremony?

Signed



Under letter No. 95

Dated 4<sup>th</sup> July 1906.

TO BE RETURNED

From the Assistant Political  
Agent Savaur.

No 4 Camp Sharwar

July 1896.

Subject.

Right of per-  
forming the  
Uras & ...  
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Returned. It seems undesirable to  
~~Forwarded for report to~~  
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 to usage. On the other hand it is  
 reported that Lamwar has  
 not ... ..



2. Underigned is informed that Shahjad Begum, "a suitable person to entrust with this duty."

3. The Assistant Political Agent is requested to give his opinion on this point

No 99 of 1896 dated 13-July 1896  
Forwarded with enclosure

For the Divan of Sarawak per report of W.D. Sheppard  
as to the fitness of Naniwa Khan Pol: Agent  
+ Shahjad Begum respectively.

Can a woman perform the ceremonies?  
13796. Tanderanapu

Recd  
10/7/96

~~Adm~~  
Pa.

No 142. 17896  
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S<sup>r</sup> I have to say of  $\frac{4890}{10.7.96}$  + 13/20

In the first place that Namor Khan is a most ~~drilled~~ <sup>drilled</sup> unfit person to be entrusted with the ceremonies, or rather the cash attached to them.

The remainder correspondence ending with the D's of  $\frac{235}{24.8.96}$  contains some information about this. Gauth = who has been accused of culpable homicide & rape & various minor offences: but never convicted on account of the difficulty of getting evidence against an uncle of a future emperor of the state.

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With regard to Shahjahan Begum, there is no  
personal objection: but it will be precisely the  
same as allowing Naiman Khan to continue  
administrator. She is his aunt: and he  
will be her agent & factotum: and being  
purdanishin, she will be no more than his  
'~~main influence~~'. 'man of the straw'.

on the death of Diler Khan D.J. B.

the Political agent appointed Amir Bibi  
to manage the allowances: she is also  
guardian of Shahjahan Begum, the  
late Nawab Diler Khan's only surviving  
child. She is the best person ~~with~~ to entrust  
with these ~~performances~~ <sup>allowances</sup>. She will execute  
the ceremonies in a proper manner by  
agents who are more or less trusted  
and who can <sup>and should</sup> be directed to ~~be~~ <sup>insure</sup> ~~insure~~  
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of the sums entrusted to them.

No one will oppose this. But Naiman Khan  
who is a youth whose age & character  
do not ~~make~~ by any means fit him for  
religious trustee in S. 96. The app.

Reply to the reminder no 541

20-1-96

to. letter no 4896 regarding father's

10-4-96

ceremony

no 19 of 1856/1897

25-1-96 / Cairnwick Garrison

Undersigned has the honor to again

write the P.A.'s attention to his reply

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21-10-96 and to state that the  
P.A.'s reference was originally replied

in his no. 142  
21-10-96

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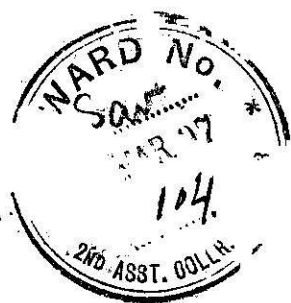
Order

The Fatihah ceremonies ought to be carried out by the Rawail. As he is a minor his guardian Dad Mahomed Khan can best carry them out in his behalf, and the course should be followed for the future.

11-3-97

Lt. E. L. Cappel  
Political Agent.

For 2045 Camp, Sawanur  
13 March 1897.



Copy forwarded to the Assistant Political Agent for information with reference to his No. 142 dated 25<sup>th</sup> August last, and for communication to Dad Mahomed Khan and other

persons concerned.

M. A. M.  
Political Agent.

P.C. No 89  
24-3-97

Urgent order to (1) the Diwan  
B. M. B. (2) Dad Mahomed Khan (8 translation)

The Diwan should take an early opportunity of consulting  
with Dad Mah. Khan : & arranging for the performance  
of these ceremonies.

The A.S.A. has the key for the box containing the  
P. H. H. 's head 'sham' & 'Asher. Sharif' ceremony.  
on the settlement of this matter, the key should be  
returned, through Dad Mahomed Khan, to the  
hereditary holder of the Office, who exhibits the relic.

22.3.97

By  
A.S.A.

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S. L. A.



No. 7247

OF 1896.

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DEPARTMENT

Collector's Office,

14 October

1896

MEMORANDUM.

no. 4890 dated 10 July 1906  
Subj.  
right of performing the Wusafat  
ceremonies of the Tawannu Kava  
family.

Requests an early  
reply to this Office  
reference noted in  
the margin.

To

THE Asst. Political Agent,  
Sharwar

*[Signature]*  
S. Collector  
10 OCT 1906  
2ND ASST CO

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Mr. J. S. Savaun is requested to inform me  
that Sayyid. Nuruddin Shah is: he asks for a  
letter of recommendation & Hydrabad for official  
employment: the O.C. wants to know his history

15.3.97

N  
O.C.

below the application of Sayad  
Kasarnoon coll: & incarceration

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no 2037 13- march 89

Forwarded with Compliments to the  
A.D. Agent who is requested enquire  
and report as to the character hitherto  
borne by the Sayad Kasarnoon.

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no 95 of 6-4-97

returned with compliments. Sayad  
Kasarnoon married the late Khand's sister  
He was a devotee of Bhippur. He has  
never been in any sort of ill repute  
at Savanur. but bears a high



Charles - so far as the bivan. known  
and so far as my knowledge goes  
nothing is known to his discredit.

Signed H. Anderson

H. D. Agnew

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*no longer concerned*

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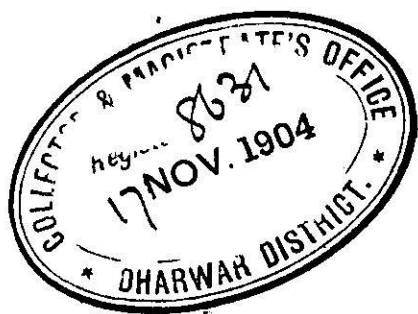
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certificat de Sayid  
Shawar.



Khanjari

The Collector and Political  
Agent-Dharwar.

Respected sir,

I the undersigned most-  
humbly and respectfully beg to  
lay before your honour the following  
few lines hoping that they will meet  
with your kind consideration.

My son Wallimahamad-  
Khan was going to the Canarese  
school up to this time, he has finish-  
ed his fourth standard there and  
he is going now to the English  
school. When my brother (the late  
Nawab) was living, he used to  
give me every kind of support

from the state. Since his death  
I have not received any assistance  
from the state. I hope that you  
will be good enough to give a  
scholarship to my son according  
to my rank and dignity. There is  
a practice of giving scholarships  
to the sons of Khanjadas and  
other relations of Khanjadas in  
these schools.

I am the sister of the late  
Nawab and I bear a near re-  
lationship to the present Nawab.

In conclusion I beg your honour  
will consider my petition and  
give a scholarship to my son.

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16.11.1904

I beg to remain,

Yours most obedt servt

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